

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 7, 9 and 10 are pending in the present Reissue Application.

Single Remaining Issue Regarding Declaration

The Office Action of January 17, 2008 indicates that the Reissue Declaration previously filed with this application in conjunction with the Amendment submitted October 29, 2007, was defective because of the absence of a statement in this Reissue Declaration that the errors identified in the original-filed Reissue Declaration also arose without any deceptive intention on the part of the inventors/applicant. In addition, pending claims 1, 2, 7, 9 and 10 have been rejected as being based upon a defective reissue declaration under 35 USC 251.

Submission of Second Supplemental Reissue Declaration

In order to remove the above-noted objection, submitted with the Response is a Second Supplemental Reissue Declaration which states at the bottom of the first page that all errors identified in previously filed declarations arose with any deceptive intention on part of the applicant.


It is respectfully requested that the above-note rejection be withdrawn and that the present Reissue Application be placed into condition for allowance.

If any questions arise in the above matters, please contact Applicant's representative, Andrew D. Meikle (Reg. No. 32,868), in the Washington Metropolitan Area at the phone number listed below.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37.C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.14; particularly, extension of time fees.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures: Second Supplemental Reissue Declaration